

# Steven Mello

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## EMPLOYMENT

2020 – Assistant Professor of Economics, Dartmouth College  
2019 – 2020 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, NYU Furman Center

## AFFILIATIONS

2020 – Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research

## EDUCATION

2019 Ph.D. Economics, Princeton University  
2015 M.A. Economics, Princeton University  
2011 B.A. Economics (with Honors), Hamilton College

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS

Primary Public economics, labor economics.  
Secondary Poverty and inequality, economics of crime, discrimination,  
local public finance, urban economics, household finance.

## PUBLICATIONS

“A Few Bad Apples? Racial Bias in Policing” (with Felipe Goncalves).  
*American Economic Review*, forthcoming, May 2021.

“More COPS, Less Crime,” *Journal of Public Economics* 172: 174-200, April 2019.

## WORKING PAPERS

“Fines and Financial Wellbeing.” *Under review*.

“Does the Punishment fit the Crime? Speeding Fines and Driver Behavior” (with Felipe Goncalves).

## FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

2018 – 2019 Charlotte Elizabeth Procter Honorific Fellowship  
2017 – 2018 Fellowship of Woodrow Wilson Scholars  
2013 – 2018 Princeton University Graduate Fellowship  
2013 – 2015 Industrial Relations Section Graduate Fellowship  
2011 Omicron Delta Epsilon Taussig Undergraduate Article Award  
2011 Senior Prize in Economics, Hamilton College  
2011 Soper Thesis Prize, Hamilton College  
2010 Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center Fellowship, Hamilton College  
2009 – 2010 Academic All-NESCAC Team

## **RESEARCH GRANTS**

- 2020 – 2021 U.S. Department of Justice #2019-CK-WX-K028 (PI)  
2020 – 2023 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development #H21696 (Co-PI)

## **INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- 2020 – 2021 APPAM (presenter, discussant), Michigan Law (MJLR Symposium)  
2019 – 2020 Vassar, UC-Berkeley.<sup>‡</sup>  
2018 – 2019 Princeton, Georgetown McCourt, Rochester, Chicago Booth, Boston University, Dartmouth, NYU Furman Center, Centre for Economic Performance.  
2017 – 2018 NBER Summer Institute\*, Transatlantic Workshop on the Economics of Crime\*, ASSA/Econometric Society.  
2016 – 2017 Hamilton College.  
*\*coauthor presentation; †scheduled; ‡cancelled due to COVID-19.*

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Refereeing *Quarterly Journal of Economics, American Economic Review, Journal of Political Economy, Review of Economic Studies, AER: Insights, AEJ: Applied Economics, AEJ: Economic Policy, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Urban Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Journal of Law and Economics, Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization, American Law and Economics Review, Journal of Politics.*

Service Co-organizer, Dartmouth Applied Microeconomics Seminar (2020–)

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### *Dartmouth College*

- 2020 – ECON 28, Public Finance and Public Policy  
2021 – ECON 20, Econometrics

### *Princeton University (as TA or Tutor)*

- 2017 ECON 343, Economic Inequality, TA for Prof Ilyana Kuziemko  
2016 WWS 507, Quantitative Analysis (MPA), Tutor  
2016 WWS Junior Summer Institute, Tutor

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- 2015 – 2016 Research Assistant for Prof. Janet Currie (Princeton)  
2015 Research Assistant for Prof. Ilyana Kuziemko (Princeton)  
2012 – 2013 Research Assistant, Industrial Relations Section (Princeton)  
2011 – 2012 Research Assistant for Prof. John Donohue (Stanford Law School)

### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

2015 – 2016 Graduate Student Advisor, Princeton Development Lab  
2014 – 2016 Social Chair, Princeton Graduate Economics Club  
2013 Princeton Club Lacrosse  
2008 – 2011 Delta Upsilon International Fraternity (Chapter President, 2010)  
2007 – 2010 Hamilton College Varsity Football  
2009 – 2010 Volunteer Football Coach, Bedford (NH) High School

### **SKILLS**

*Computing:* Stata, R, SQL, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

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